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House Resolution 2103

By: Representative Ralston of the 7<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Coach Mark Richt and inviting him to be recognized by the House of
- 2 Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, after nine seasons as head coach of the University of Georgia Bulldogs, Coach
- 4 Mark Richt has demonstrated his superior coaching skills and his commitment to athletic
- 5 excellence; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Coach Richt has led the Bulldogs to two SEC championships, three SEC
- 7 Eastern Division titles, and two Sugar Bowl victories while graduating 162 Bulldog players;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, he has amassed an amazing record of 90-27, a .769 winning percentage, which
- 10 is the sixth best in the country among active coaches, with a record against non-conference
- opponents of 39-4 and a bowl record of 7-2; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Coach Richt is one of only nine coaches in Division I-A history to record 60
- or more wins in his first six seasons or 70 or more wins in his first seven seasons; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he is also one of only six coaches to win two SEC championships in his first
- 15 five years and one of only five head coaches in SEC history to record four straight 10-win
- seasons; and
- 17 WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Miami, Coach Richt served as quarterback coach
- at Florida State University for 15 years, where he developed offenses that were among the
- 19 most prolific in college football history and became one of the most respected coaches in the
- 20 country before joining the Bulldog family; and

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21 WHEREAS, a native of Boca Raton, Florida, Coach Richt is united in love and marriage to

- 22 his supportive wife Katharyn, and they have been blessed with four remarkable children,
- 23 Jonathan, David, Zach, and Anya; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Coach Richt brings out the superior athletic ability of his players and serves as
- a role model and mentor to his teams; and
- 26 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the University of Georgia football
- 27 program, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary
- 28 commitment and accomplishments of this outstanding individual.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 30 the members of this body commend Coach Mark Richt for his amazing career as a football
- 31 coach and invite him to be recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to
- 32 be determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Mark Richt.